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LOK SABHA

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COMMISSION ON NATURAL DISASTERS
GULAM MEHMOOD BANATWALLA

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Disaster Mitigations Institute has suggested the setting up of a NationalCommission on natural disasters and emergencies;

(b) if so, details of the suggestion including the objectives and the functions of the Commission and alongwith any other natural disasters; and

(c) the reaction of the Government to the suggestions?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO)
(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. The Disaster Mitigation Institute, Ahmedabad had suggestedconstitution of a National Commission on Natural Disasters and Emergencies with focused terms of reference to completely revamp the relief, rehabilitation, recovery and mitigation administration and structures to match the challenge ahead. There is at present no proposal with the Government to set up such a Commission on natural disasters and emergencies.